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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)	
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JAMES PHILIP ANDREW)	
	:	Art Unit: 2624
Application No.: 10/763,213)	
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Filed: January 26, 2004)	
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For: IMAGE CODING METHOD)	
AND APPARATUS FOR	:	
LOCALISED DECODING AT)	
MULTIPLE RESOLUTIONS	:	June 2, 2006

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COMMENTS ON EXAMINER'S
STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

Sir:

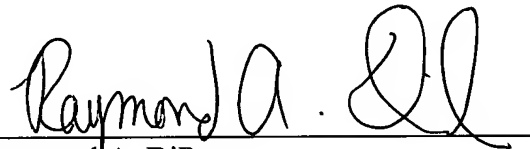
Applicant agrees with the Examiner's statement of reasons for allowance except for the Examiners statements that (1) the bit stream arrangements are advantageous where a bit stream is stored and read from a storage device "having a relative slow data access time" for random accesses, and that (2) "only one pointer access" into a bit stream per row of tiles per resolution level at most is required to access a portion of a digital image. None of the independent claims recites these features, and these statements by the Examiner should not be read as inherently present or limiting the scope of the claims in any way.

It is further noted that a typographical error appears in the Examiner's statement of reasons for allowance, in that "independent claims 1, 38, and 58" should presumably read --independent claims 18, 38, and 58--.

Since the filing of this paper was necessitated by the Patent and Trademark Office, Applicant submits that his Patent Term Adjustment should not be reduced as a result of the filing of this paper.

Applicant's undersigned attorney may be reached in our New York office by telephone at (212) 218-2100. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.

Respectfully submitted,

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